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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GROUP 3 FACSIMILE CAPABLE OF  
PROPERLY PERFORMING A COMMUNICATIONS OPERATION USING  
OPTIONAL FRAMES

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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF JULY 15, 2003 FINAL REJECTION**

In response to the final Office Action dated July 15, 2003, Applicant request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following.

The **Listing of Claims** section which begins on page 2 is provided for the convenience of the Examiner.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.